

Offer Your Five Loaves and Two Fish

John 6:1-15

Key Verse: 9

1. Where and when did this event take place? (1, 4) Why did the crowds follow Jesus? (2) How difficult could this have been for the crowds to do so? (Refer to a map.) Why did Jesus have the disciples sit down with him? (3)
2. What question did Jesus ask of Philip? (5) What does verse 6 imply about the motive for Jesus' question? (See also Mk 6:34) Why did Philip need to be tested? (c.f. Ge 22) In what way was Philip's answer correct and incorrect? (7)
3. What alternative did Andrew present to Jesus? (8-9) In what sense was this an act of faith? What are your "five loaves and two fish"? What can we learn about the kind of people that Jesus uses?
4. How did Jesus co-work with disciples? (10) Why was an important aspect in Jesus' ministry? What can we learn from Jesus' prayer of thanksgiving? (11a) How great was God's blessing? (11b) What can we learn from Jesus who commanded the disciples to gather the leftovers? (12-13) Why did Jesus withdraw to a mountain by himself? (14-15)